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FOLLOWING MESSAGE BOMBAY 1975 DTD 07 AUG 75 RECEIVED NEW DELHI
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SUBJ: PROPOSED TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS

1. PROMINENT BOMBAY BUSINESSMAN HAS GIVEN US FOLLOWING
LIST OF PROPOSALS WHICH LOCAL TRAVEL AGENTS SAY ARE BEING
CONSIDERED BY GOI. PROPOSALS SAID TO BE BASICALLY TO
STOP BLACK MONEY TRANSACTIONS, AND TRANSFER OF PERSONAL
BELONGINGS ABROAD, BUT LIKE OTHER REGULATIONS THEY COULD
BE UTILIZED BY GOI TO PREVENT TRAVEL ABROAD BY INDIAN
NATIONALS. WE DO NOT VOUCH FOR AUTHENTICITY OF PROPOSALS,
BUT MERELY PASS THEM ALONG.

2. FIRST FFT OF ALTERNATIVES REPORTEDLY BEING CONSIDERED:

A. NO INDIAN TO BE ALLOWED TO TRAVEL ABROAD;

B. NO TRAVEL ABROAD FOR FIVE YEARS, THEN FREE TO GO ANYWHERE
WITH ALLOWANCE OF \$1,000 IN FOREIGN EXCHANGE;

C. THREE YEAR EXEMPTION TO BECOME FIVE YEAR EXEMPTION -
P FORM TO REMAIN AS AT PRESENT, WITH \$1,000 ALLOWANCE IN
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FOREIGN EXCHANGE;

D. ALL PAYMENTS FOR FOREIGN TRAVEL TO BE MADE BY CHECK; AND

E. ALL TRAVEL TO HAVE MAXIMUM THREE WEEK LIMIT, BUT APPLICANT
ABLE TO TRAVEL AS OFTEN AS REQUIRED ON P FORM (AFFIDAVIT).

3. ALTERNATIVES FOR INDIANS WHO NEED TO TRAVEL FREELY IN THE
EVENT OF A COMPLETE CLAMPDOWN:

A. MUST HOLD FOREIGN PASSPORT;

B. AFFIDAVIT AND PAYMENT FROM ABROAD;

C. PROVEN BUSINESS TRAVEL;

D. TRAVELER EMPLOYED AS LOCAL AGENT FOR A FOREIGN FIRM IN
BOMBAY OR RETAINED BY FOREIGN FIRM. FOREIGN FIRM COULD CALL
INDIAN TO HEAD OFFICE ON PAYMENT OF TICKET AND AFFIDAVIT OF
MAINTENANCE FROM ABROAD.

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